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Mr. STONECASTE,

OUR late Paper on *Young Ladies* so duly employing their Time in the Country at their Husbands Seats, was, I allow, a true Picture of a young *London Coquette*, who entertains no Ideas but such as are form'd within Twenty Miles of that Metropolis: But I hope you will allow, for the Honour of the *Sex*, there are Women of Fortune, who not only can reconcile themselves to the Confines of a *Mansion-House*, but behave in them worthy their Rank of Life, and worthy being the Wives of *Country Gentlemen*. I am, in this Point, an Advocate for my own *Sex*, and I justly can say, there are Characters of Ladies in the *Country* superior to all the modish Accomplishments of *Town Elegance*.

How happy, how amiable is the Life and Conduct of *Semandra*! With what conscious Pleasure does she reflect, that all her Actions produce her new Felicity! *Semandra*, after an elegant, but virtuous Education, marry'd, by her Parents Commands, a Man she never saw a Fortnight before they were inseparably join'd for Life. The young *Bridegroom* had been always educated in the *Country*, and had no other polishing, than from a *private School* to have been two Years resident at the *University*, and two Months in *London*. Here was nothing to charm a young Lady of *Semandra's* Education: She only obey'd her Parents, and waited to find the Temper and Disposition of her Husband, who immediately after the Performance of the Ceremony, carry'd her into the *Country*.—— That Marriage comes first, and Love after, is a Maxim among *old People*, who think more of Interest than Happiness, and whose sordid Views reach no farther than the Termination of Wealth. In *Semandra's* Marriage this was the Case; between the *Bride* and *Bridegroom* there were none of the tender, thrilling, happy Emotions on their being to live together, which those Hearts feel that have known the Fear, Anxieties, Resentments, Reconcilements, which the true Passion of Love can only inspire. *Semandra* trembled for fear of what sort of Man her Spouse might prove: He thought only that he had a handsome Wife, and Fortune enough with her to purchase Part of Sir *Joseph Squander's* Estate, adjoining to his own.

Semandra had now the Name of *Plainly*, and in Mr. *Plainly*, a Man of Sobriety, Honesty, and many good Qualities which he had never reveal'd, from a Turn of Temper which made him silent and reserv'd: In short, he was one of those Men who will not give themselves the Trouble to shew their good Qualifications, and you must know them some time to comprehend they can be Men of Sense. This Temper was soon discover'd by *Semandra*: She luckily found the cold Lover grow insensibly into a fond Husband: She endeavour'd to make herself more and more agreeable to him; and thus, where the Love of others too generally ends, that of *Plainly* and *Semandra* began. As their Educations had been so different, they mutually corrected the Foibles of both. *Semandra* made her Husband more a Gentleman in Behaviour, and he converted her Notions of the Splendor and Luxury she had seen about Courts, into those of Frugality and Benevolence.

Behold now *Semandra* at Four and Twenty residing on her Husband's Estate, in the midst of many People, who are Tenants and Dependants to her Family. As to all she is kind, free and hospitable; she lives among them belov'd with Reverence and Affection. Her Grace of ——, with all her Pomp, Wealth, and numerous Retinues, feels not a Thousanth Part of the Pleasure which *Semandra* enjoys. A homely Curtsy, from a *Cottager's* Daughter, conveys a Sincerity which is never known at a *Play* or *Assembly*; and when a *Farmer's* Man doffs his Hat, she infinitely prefers it to Lord *Gaper's* Congee at a *Rehearse*. It may make the fine Ladies in *Town* laugh at the gay *Semandra's* having learnt to make up Medicines, Oils, Plaisters, Unguents, with a long *Et cætera*; Lady *Bountiful* in the Play will immediately quote their little comparative Wit; but the dispensing Drugs, and such common Medicines of Relief as give Benefit without Danger, often in the Country relieves the indigent Sick, who for Want of even such common Reliefs, must perish with their Families. But *Semandra's* Practice has been the more successful; as she entirely differs in it from the whole *College*, she never gives Advice without giving some Money to enable her Patients to follow it; and to all their Physick adds the enliv'ning Cordial, *Of praying for their Health*. To restore Health to the Infirm, to relieve the Hungry, to comfort the Oppress'd, *Semandra* thinks greater Pleasures than squandering Money in *Assemblies* and *Concert Subscriptions*.

Notwithstanding these Instances of Humanity, Mrs. *Plainly* acts according to her Rank in Life: At a Visit there appears cheerful Politeness with Wit, and such as is not refin'd enough to slip the Bounds of Decency. In her Air, Speech and Motion, there is a winning Elegance that is irresistable, and through all her Discourse there is a soft Composure, which thinks of what she says; but if she is ever *so right*, she never *contradicts* Mr. *Plainly*.

How to spend Time was one great Misfortune complain'd of by your *Country Lady*: Ours has no Time, which is a Burden to her. She has three Children, and is unfashionable enough to shew she is their Mother, by suckling and nursing them. My Lady *Fiddle-faddle* happen'd once to eaten her turning her Son dry, and cry'd with Wonder,—— Eugh! ——Lard, Ma'am, how can you do such an Office? How can you bear it?——Because, answer'd Mrs. *Plainly*, I am his Mother.——Thus the Children of any Lady may employ her many an Hour, besides playing with them when sent for out of the Nursery for a Quarter of an Hour's Amusement.

Besides this Employment, all the Family Economy is under the Inspection of the Mistress of the Family, and by this Mr. *Plainly* has liv'd handsomer and cheaper since he has been marry'd, than when a *Batchelor*.——Though, Mr. *Spec*, by the Bye, Mrs. *Plainly* has sav'd something——enough to buy a Diamond Necklace for her eldest Daughter, for which Purpose it is dedicated.

Amidst all this strange Doctrine of Management, *Semandra* not only diverts herself, but her Husband frequently with a Piece of Musick on her Harpsichord, accompanied by a Voice of most agreeable Sweetness; sometimes rides out with him; at others, she renders herself agreeable, by accompanying him a Fishing: She never suffers any Time to be unemploy'd, but it is exercis'd in Actions which make a good Wife and a good Woman, which is the highest Character our Sex can attain.

Such is *Semandra*! But, alas! I am afraid there are but few such: To her Merit suffer me to inscribe this Epistle, and I shall be

Your oblig'd Reader,

JUSTITIA.

Tho' I insert the following Parody of *Hamlet's* Speech in *Shakespear*, I must declare I do not approve of such Kind of Wit, as I think it derogatory to the Honour of the greatest Genius's our Nation can boast of.

A SOLILOQUY *in* HAMLET *Imitated.*

TO *marry*, or not *marry*, that's the Question;
Whether 'tis *happier* in the Mind to suffer
The Heats and Tumults of outrageous Love,
Or with some prudent Fair in solemn Contract
Of Matrimony join? To have and hold!——
No more! And in a Trice to say we end
The Heart-Ach, and the thousand Love-sick Pains
Which Celibacy yields! A Consummation
Devoutly to be wish'd. In Nuptial Bands
To join, till Death dissolves. I, there's the Rub;
For in that Space what dull Remorse may come,
When we have ta'n our solemn Leaves of Liberty,
Must give no Pause. There's the Respect
That backs our Speed in suing for the Change:
For who wou'd bear the Sneers and Scorns which
Batchelors
When Aged feel: the Pains and flutt'ring Pulses,
That each new Face still gives to the roving Lover,
When he might rid himself at once from these
By Marriage Knot? Who cou'd with Patience bear
To fret and linger out a single Life,
But that the Dread of something yet unseen;
Some Hazard in a State, from whose strict Bounds
Death only can release; puzzles the Will,
And makes us rather bear those Ills we have,
Than fly to others which perhaps are greater.
Thus cool Reflection makes us slow and wary,
Filling the dubious Mind with dreadful Thoughts
Of future Discords, Jealousies and Costs,
Extravagantly great; entail'd on Wedlock;
Which to avoid, the Lover checks his Passion,
And rather dies a Batchelor.——

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FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Petersburg, *June* 8. On Express is arriv'd with Advice, that on the 31st of last Month there was a sharp Engagement off of Hangued between the Russian Gallies, commanded by General Keith, and those of Sweden, under the Command of Vice Admiral Falkengreen. They cannonaded and bombarded each other with great Fury, but no Attempts were made to board: At last the Swedes were oblig'd to sheer off, the Admiral Galley and another having been disabled. The Advantage accruing to the Russians from this Fight, is, that the Squadron under the Veldt-Marshal Count Lacy may now safely join General Keith.

Stockholm, *June* 18. Captain Grahman arriv'd here the 16th Instant from Finland, with Dispatches from Baron Nolcken and Baron Cedercreutz, our Plenipotentiaries at Abo. These Dispatches import, that the Russian Court has desisted from her Pretensions in regard to Helsingfors; that she consents to leave that Port, together with the greatest Part of the Province of Nyland, in the Hands of Sweden, and only reserve to herself the Territory lying between Borgo and the River Kymen. Captain Duncan arriv'd this Morning from Finland, with Letters confirming what is just mention'd, and adding that the Plenipotentiaries of both Powers have already sign'd a Preliminary Convention relating to a Suspension of Arms. The Senate immediately met on this Occasion, and at their breaking up went to confer with

the Secret Committee of the Dyet. The Order of the Peasants still insist upon chusing the Prince Royal of Denmark to succeed to the Throne: The other Orders persist in their Resolution not to declare themselves on this Subject until the whole Dyet proceeds in due Form to the Election.

Hambourg, June 28. We have Letters from Stockholm, advising, that on the 18th Instant two Officers arriv'd there from Dalecarlia, who reported that the Peasants of that Province were preparing to march, to the Number of 30,000, and that their Design was to come up to the Capital, and make the States of the Kingdom chuse the Prince Royal of Denmark for Successor to the Crown of Sweden.

Chamberry, June 17. The Infant Don Philip has taken an exact Muster of his Army. The Infantry amounts to 21,602 Men, including the Recruits rais'd in the Country; the Cavalry make 1480 Men; there are 2616 Dragoons; and his Royal Highnesses's Houshold Troops consist of 888 Men; in all 26,586 Men: To which we may add 10,600 Troops coming from Spain, the Van Guard of which is already arriv'd.

Lintz, June 22. The Queen arriv'd here on the 19th, and receiv'd the next Day at Noon, by M. Buckow, Adjutant General to Prince Charles, preceded by four Postillions, the News of the Surrender of Fridberg to General Nadasti, who having set Fire to the Fauxbourg, and order'd his Hussars to dismount, and to attack the Place Sabre in Hand with his Croats, intimidated the Bavarians and French to a Degree, that they gave themselves up Prisoners of War to the Number of 1200 Men, besides above 70 Officers, two of whom are Colonels. M. Buckow brought with him 15 Bavarian Enfigns, and a French Standard. Fridberg is a wall'd Place upon an Eminence, and of the more Importance as it commands the Lech. The Emperor is said to have seen what pass'd from a Steeple at Augsburg.

Nuremberg, June 25. According to some Advices the Garrison of Braunau has march'd out with all the Honours of War, upon Condition that they shall not bear Arms against the Queen of Hungary for two Years to come.

Dusseldorp, July 2. Some Letters from Francfort say, that the Elector of Mentz and Lord Carteret are expected there about some important Negotiation, which is supposed to be the Accommodation between the Emperor and the Queen of Hungary.

Francfort, June 30. The Emperor, accompanied by the Prince Royal, arriv'd here from Augsbourg the 28th Instant in perfect Health.

From the Paris A-la-main, July 3.

It is currently reported here that the Town of Egra has been evacuated by Capitulation, the Articles of which we are as yet ignorant of.

From the Paris A-la-main, July 6.

The 2d Instant in the Morning an Express arriv'd at Court from the Army on the Rhine, with the Particulars of an Affair that has happen'd on the Main, between the Troops under the Command of Marshal Noailles and those of the Allies, commanded by the King of England; which Particulars are as follow:

The 27th of last Month, Marshal Noailles having had Advice that the English were making great Movements in their Position, and that they were decamping on account of the Scarcity of Provisions, he sent over 20,000 Men, and put the King's Houshold Troops at the Head of them, in order to attack the Rear Guard. As this was a Feint of the latter, [The Reader will please to take Notice, that when we translate from so accurate a Writer as this Newsmonger, we generally stick close to the Original.] they suddenly turn'd about, and came up in good Order to charge our Detachments, who perform'd Prodigies of Valour, and sustain'd the Enemy's Efforts while Marshal Noailles was bringing over the rest of his Army; then he charg'd the Enemy so vigorously, that after an Engagement of three Hours, he oblig'd them to retire, leaving 5000 of their Men on the Field of Battle, of which we remain'd Masters. We took from them several Pieces of Cannon, and the greatest Part of their Ammunition; we seiz'd upon their Hospitals, in which there was a great Number of Sick; we also took 14 Pair of Colours, and made a great Number of Prisoners, among whom is the Intendant of their Army. We follow'd them as far as Hanau, and then return'd to take Possession of their Camp at Aschaffenburg. The Duke of Cumberland, who was in the Action, was dangerously wounded, as was likewise the Duke d'Aremberg.

On our Side we lost 3000 Men, and had 900 wounded.

The Duke de Chartres gave Proofs of his Courage on this Occasion, having been present every where, and charg'd the Enemy four Times.

The Duke de Rochechouart, the Marquess de Fleury, four Officers of the Life-Guards, Messr. de Chabanne and Sabran, are killed.

The Prince de Dombes, the Count d'Eu, the Marquess de Chabanne, the Dukes d'Harcourt, Boufflers, and Grammont, and Messr. d'Orgemont and St. Chamant, are wounded.

The Duke d'Ayen, who had a Horse kill'd under him, was wounded in the Head and trampled under Foot by the Horses, and has been blooded five Times. M. de la Motte-Houdancourt was mortally wounded and taken Prisoner. Many other Officers are wounded, whose Names we have not yet receiv'd.

In the Regiment of French Guards there are fifty Officers both kill'd and wounded.

The Count de Noailles had two Horses shot under him, as he was rallying his Regiment which had given Ground. The Duke de Richelieu had three Aid de Camps kill'd by his Side.

Actions 2170 Livres.

COUNTRY NEWS.

Newcastle, June 25. Last Sunday, about Seven in the Morning, one Edward Davis, Clerk to Mr. Lodge, Attorney, in Barnardcastle, coming from Catterick, was attack'd upon Gaterley Moor by a Footpad, who, with his Gun cock'd, bid him stand and deliver, or, if he made any Resistance, he would blow out his Brains: The young Man, surpriz'd at these big Words, told him, he had no Money about him, but a Three Pound Twelve Shillings Piece, and as he was a Stranger in that Part of the Country he was going to, three or four Shillings would do him a great deal of Service; which the Rogue consented to give him: Mean time, the young Man observing him rest his Gun when he was taking the Shillings out of his Pocket, to give him in return for his Piece, he gave him a Knock over the Head with his Whip, which stunn'd the Villain so much as to give Mr. Davis an Opportunity to ride off; but he was not above twenty Yards gone when the Footpad shot after him, and happily miss'd him.

LONDON.

Whitehall, June 29. Last Night Mr. Over, one of his Majesty's Messengers, arriv'd at his Grace the Duke of Newcastle's Office, with the following Advices from the Right Hon. the Lord Carteret, dated at Hanau, the 20th of June, O. S. 1743.

THE King having receiv'd certain Intelligence that the Marshal de Noailles intended to endeavour to prevent the Junction of the Hessian Troops, under the Command of Prince George of Hesse, and the eight Hanoverian Battalions under that of General Druchleben, with the main Body of the Army, sent Orders to Prince George, and to the said General, upon their March, to halt at Hanau, and determin'd to join them with the whole Army: Accordingly on the 15th in the Evening, his Majesty gave Orders that the Army should hold itself in Readiness to march the next Morning early, and about Four the Troops began to file off in two Columns, when the Duke de Noailles perceiving this Motion, immediately order'd a Detachment of his Army to march along the Mayn towards Seligenstadt, where the French Infantry pass'd that River over two Bridges, and the Cavalry forded it a little above the said Village, with a Design to oppose, with all his Force, the Junction of our Armies, his Artillery forming the Arriere Guard. As soon as it was in Reach of annoying our Army, it began to play upon us about Half an Hour past Ten in the Morning, and took us in Flank. This Fire lasted near two Hours, and tho' we erected some Batteries in order to silence those of the Enemy, yet they did not discontinue firing. Notwithstanding which, our Army continued its March, and by Perseverance arriv'd in a little Wood, behind which the French Army was rang'd in Order of Battle; their Right Wing was cover'd by the Mayn, and supported by a Battery erected near Maynsling, on the other Side of the River. The Left extended itself towards the Hill, and had behind it a little Rivulet and the Village of Dettingen. The French Army, amounting to near 30,000 Men, was drawn up in two Lines and an Arriere Guard; it was commanded by the Duke de Noailles, the Duke de Chartres, and several other Princes of the Blood were present; and the Houshold Troops made the Center, supported by the Infantry.

The King having given his Orders to the respective Generals of the Army, with the greatest Calmness and Resolution, placed himself on the Right Wing at the Head of the British Infantry, on Foot, Sword in Hand. Our Army drew up in Order of Battle, as well as it could, in the Wood, and extended itself as far to the Front of the Enemy as the Ground would allow.

On the Right of our Army, at the Entrance of the Wood, the Hanoverians erected a Battery, which flanked the Enemy, and did great Service in the Heat of the Action; another was erected by the English on the Left, and a Third by the Austrians in the Center.

Such were the Dispositions of the two Armies till about Twelve o'Clock, when the Army was advanced to charge the Enemy. The Troops of the French King's Houshold attack'd with great Vigour our Center, which gave Way a little, but soon rallied, repuls'd them, and drove them before them till they beat them out of the Field. Annex'd is a List of the Prisoners, many of which are Officers and Persons of Quality; a great Number were kill'd and wounded, and some Standards and Colours taken; and, after this Defeat of the Houshold Troops, the French Army perceiving itself attack'd on all Sides, quitted the Field of Battle, pass'd the Rivulet behind it, and posted itself in Order of Battle upon an Eminence commanding the Plain: But notwithstanding this advantageous Disposition, upon our Troops marching towards them with Resolution, and an Order, they abandon'd that Post, retir'd to Kleinevelsheim, and at last retreated in great Disorder towards the Village of Seligenstadt, where they pass'd the Mayn with Precipitation and Confusion; several were drown'd, and a great many died of their Wounds in the Pursuit. The great Number of the Kill'd, that was found dispers'd on all Sides, shews that their Loss must be considerable, and it is computed at about 4000 Men kill'd, wounded, drowned, and taken Prisoners. On our Side our Loss is computed to be near 1500 kill'd and wounded. Among the first is Lieutenant General Clayton, who was kill'd upon the Spot, equally regretted by the King, the Officers and Soldiers; amongst the last, his Royal Highness the Duke, commanding with great Bravery at his Post of Major General, receiv'd a Musket Ball, which went through his Leg; the Duke D'Aremberg receiv'd one in his Breast; but neither of these Wounds is thought dangerous. Col. Peers had a dangerous Shot in the Throat. Major General Monroy, of the Hanover Troops, and his Son, had each a Leg shot off by the same Cannon Ball; but none of the Three are despair'd of. Brigadier Hasse was also shot in the Heel; but though the Bone is broken, his Wound is not thought dangerous.

The British Troops, and all the Forces of the Allied Army, who were engag'd in this Action, behav'd with the utmost Resolution, Bravery, and Intrepidity.

List of the Killed and Wounded of Note in the French Army.

Prince de Dombes, wounded in the Thigh. Duke of Boufflers, wounded in the Neck. M. de Sabran, Colonel of the Regiment of Conde, his Thigh shot off, and kill'd. M. de Boufflers, jun. his Thigh shot off. Duke of Rochechouart, Colonel of a Regiment, the Major and the Captain of the Grenadiers of the said Regiment, kill'd. Duke of Harcourt, M. du Chatel, mortally wounded. Three Major-Generals lost. Messr. de Mongiboult, Chabenmaville, de Chauvigny, and de Chatelet, all Colonels, kill'd. M. de Lambilly, Captain in the Regiment of French Foot Guards, mortally wounded, and his Brother, Second Major, kill'd. M. de Rosting, First Captain of Grenadiers in the French King's own Regiment, his two Thighs shot off. M. de Custine, Colonel of the Regiment of Hainault, wounded in the Jaw-

Bone. M. de Chabot, likewise wounded in the Jaw-Bone. Count d'Eu, slightly wounded. M. de Voubecourt, Colonel of the Regiment of Dauphine, wounded in the Hand. Duke d'Ayen, a Ball thro' his Belly. M. du Chaila, two Shots thro' his Body. M. de Beuvron, a Major-General, wounded. And many others of Distinction, as well as several Officers and others of the French King's Houshold, either kill'd, wounded, or lost.

A List of the Prisoners of the French King's Houshold, at the Camp of Lettingen, June 28, N. S. 1743.

M. de Montgibaut, Major-General, Commander of the Troop of Harcourt. M. de la Sale, Adjutant of the King's Musqueteers and Colonel of Horse. M. de Chavoisy, a Quarter-Master of the King's Musqueteers, and Colonel of Horse. M. de Thesy, a Quarter-Master of the Musqueteers, and Colonel of Horse. M. de Bouillant, M. de Fou, Sub-Brigadiers of the Musqueteers. M. de la Pauperdiere, a Musqueteer, Black. M. d'Orville, Sub-Brigadier of the Musqueteers, Grey. M. de Vesin, M. de Girardole de Malassy, M. de Girardole la Sale, M. de Gressy, M. du Quesnay, M. de la Fouchas, M. du Plessis, M. d'Ouleau. M. de Varenne, M. de la Gravene, M. Chevalier de Serteuil, M. Chevalier le Blanc, M. d'Alberti, M. Chevalier de Fenelon, M. de Prunelle, M. de Gascoen, M. de Grave, M. de Bailli, M. de St. Aubin, M. de St. Cyre, M. d'Erard, M. de Ternay, M. de Suze, M. de Redon. A Drummer of the Musqueteers. Prince of Montebelliard. M. de Mouboyon, M. Chevalier de Reville, Gens d'Armes. M. de Paniot, a Brigadier of the Light Horse. M. de la Veille Ferte, an Adjutant of the Light Horse. M. de Boufons, M. de Brevons, M. d'Epinoy, M. de Breredan, M. de Cochard, M. Chevalier de Fouchores, M. d'Estreville, M. d'Orville, M. de Mouseur, Light Horsemen. M. du Lyon, a Brigadier of the Life-Guards. M. de Voine, M. Ythier, Exempts of the Life-Guards. M. de l'Enclos, M. de Chevagnac, Brigadiers of the Life-Guards. M. Perrin, M. de la Mare, M. de Bouhan, M. de Clozel, M. de Boisla Ville, M. de Kerkefee, M. le Cogdela Vallee, M. de Montrail, M. des Bois, M. de la Merte, M. de Formanville, M. de Beauchambre, M. de Roze, M. Perran, M. de Houtolle, M. de Boisneux, M. Montamy, M. Seaux, M. Boisslonar, Life-Guards. Marquess of Merinville, Guidon of the Body-Grenadier Guards. M. de Montaigne, Captain of Horse. M. de Combes, Colonel of Horse, and Lieutenant of the Horse Grenadiers.

(L. S.) *Montgibaut.*

M. de Vesan, Adjutant in Chief of the Troop of the Body-Light-Horsemen. M. de Mesmey, Captain in the Regiment of Foot of Rohan. Chevalier des Fontaines, Adjutant of the Light-Horse. Taken by the Austrians.

Marquess of Marignan, Major-General of the Light-Horse. Marquess of la Vieuxville, Captain in the Regiment of Horse of Noailles. M. de Corcocal, M. de Guillain, Light-Horsemen. Chevalier de Vuiller, Chevalier Dorias, Musqueteers. M. de Marival, Lieutenant Colonel in the Regiment of Horse of Noailles. M. Dumont, Brigadier of the Lieutenant Colonel's. M. de Fricamp, a Lieutenant in the Regiment of Mortemar.

—— Wynne, Esq; Brother to Sir Rowland Wynne, Bart. is appointed Captain of a Company in the First Regiment of Foot Guards, in the room of Capt. Boscawen, lately promoted.

Henry Cavendish, Esq; is appointed Collector of Cork in the Kingdom of Ireland, in the room of Henry Hamilton, Esq; deceas'd.

Thursday se'nnight Charles Cutts and William Quilter, Esqrs. paid their Fines to be excus'd serving the Office of Sheriff of this City and County of Middlesex.

As did also, the next Day, Hezekiah Walker, Esq; to be excus'd serving the said Office.

The same Day was held a Court of Hustings at Guildhall, when the Hon. Horatio Townshend and William Chesselden, Esqrs. the two first Gentlemen nominated by the present Lord Mayor, were elected Sheriffs of this City: and Mr. Thomas Noone was elected one of the Ale-Conners, in the room of Mr. John Kirk, deceas'd.

Mr. Chesselden, at a Court of Aldermen on Tuesday last, swore off from serving the said Office.

Tuesday the Directors of the East-India Company went to Deptford in the Navy Barge, attended by a Band of Musick, to see a Ship launch'd at Bronsdon's Dock, built at the Expence of the Company for their own Service, which being the first a great Number of Merchants and Gentlemen went to see her: She is reckon'd a fine Ship.

By Letters from Dublin we are inform'd, that Arthur Jones Nevill, Esq; succeeds Arthur Dobbs, Esq; who hath resign'd, as Chief Engineer and Surveyor-General of Ireland; and Mr. John M'Gill, Deputy to Mr. Dobbs, hath resign'd his Deputation.

A few Days since William Abney, of the Inner-Temple, Esq; was married to Miss Wootton, only Daughter of —— Wootton, Esq; of Cannons in Hertfordshire, a most beautiful young Lady, and a Fortune upwards of 40,000 l.

Last Week was married, at St. Dunstan's, Stepney, Colebrooke Tennison, Esq; a Gentleman possess'd of 1000 l. a Year in Essex, to Miss Wright, only Daughter and Heiress of Thomas Wright, of Hackney, Esq; a beautiful Lady with a large Fortune.

On Saturday last Dr. Thomas Hughes, an eminent Physician at Oxford, was married at Hackney to Miss Smith of Eltham, a young Lady of fine Accomplishments, with a Fortune of 10,000 l.

Sunday was married at Lambeth, Mr. Clipsham, an eminent and wealthy Timber-Merchant in Rotherhith, to Miss Stone, Daughter of Mr. Stone, a wealthy Farmer at Camberwell, an agreeable young Lady, with a Fortune of 7000 l.

On Monday Dr. Nicholls an eminent Physician of this City, was married to Miss Betty Mead, youngest Daughter of Dr. Mead.

Some time since died in Flanders William Corbett, Esq; Clerk of the Stables to his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland.

As did likewise at Hanover, the only Son of the Right Hon. the Countess of Yarmouth.

Letters from America bring Advice of the Death of Alexander Crosby, Esq; Lieutenant Governor of Annapolis Royal.

A few Days since died at Bristol, Thomas Hawes, Esq; Chief Clerk in the Admiralty-Office at Whitehall: He is succeeded by Robert Osborn, Esq; the second Clerk, and all the other Clerks in the said Office rise gradually according to their Seniority, and Mr. Thomas Riley Blankley, one of the Extraordinary Clerks, is appointed Junior Clerk on the Establishment.

A few Days since died at Edinburgh Alexander Baird, Esq; Brother to Sir John Baird of Newbaith, Bart.

A few Days ago died, at Purlington in Somersetshire, Mr. Lavington, aged 106, esteem'd one of the most considerable Farmers in that County: He has left three Daughters, the youngest of whom is 72 Years of Age.

A few Days since died, at the Seat of her Husband near Arundel in Sussex, the Lady of Garton Orme, Esq; Member of Parliament for Arundel, and one of the Gentlemen Waiters to his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

On Tuesday se'nnight died, in the 72d Year of his Age, at his Seat in Herefordshire, the Right Hon. the Lord Arthur Somerset: He was youngest Son of Henry first Duke of Beaufort, and Great Uncle to the present Duke: He married Mary, Daughter and sole Heir to Sir William Russel, of Llanherne in Carmarthenshire, Bart. and Widow of —— Cotton, Esq; Son and Heir to Sir Robert Cotton, of Cumbermere in the County of Chester, Bart. by whom he had Issue a Son, who died young; also three Daughters, Mary, now the Relict of the Hon. Algernoon Greville, Esq; second Son of Fulk Greville, late Lord Brook; Elizabeth, and Anne, the late Wife of Uvedale Price, Esq;

On Wednesday se'nnight died, of an Apoplectick Fit, at his House in Grosvenor-Street, Arthur Edwards, Esq; First Major of the Second Troop of Horse Guards.

Also the same Day died, in Sackville-Street, the Lady Mary Finch, eldest Daughter to the Right Hon. the Earl of Winchelsea and Nottingham by his present Lady.

Thursday sennight died, at her House in Conduit-Street, the Lady Allin, Relict of Sir Richard Allin, Bart. of Somerleyton-Hall, in the County of Suffolk; by whose Death a Rent-Charge of 500 l. a Year devolves to the present Sir Thomas Allin, Bart.

On Friday died, at Oxford, the Lady Elizabeth Noel, Relict of Sir Clobery Noel, Bart. and Sister to Thomas Rowney, of Dean-Farm near Enston, in that County, Esq; and one of the Members of Parliament for the City of Oxford.

The same Day died at Rochester, George Benson, Esq; formerly a Collector in the Excise; but for some Years past had declin'd the Business on account of an ill State of Health: He was reputed worth 15,000 l.

On Saturday last d'ed, at his Lodgings at Hackney, Mr. Cabrier, an eminent and wealthy Merchant in Mark-Lane.

The same Day died in Downing-street, after a tedious Illness, Mr. John Douglas, Surgeon, Brother to the late Dr. James Douglas, of Red-Lyon-Square.

On Sunday last died, at Charlton in Kent, Thomas Hannan, Esq; formerly an eminent Merchant of this City.

On Tuesday died, at his House in Martin's-Lane, Cannon-Street, Mr. Isaac Milner, an eminent Virginia Merchant.

His Grace the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury has given the united Livings of St. Paul and St. Martin near Canterbury, void by the Death of Mr. Evans, to the Rev. Mr. Thomas Lamprey, M. A. one of the Minor Canons of that Cathedral.

The Lord Archbishop of York has been pleas'd to collate the Rev. Mr. Deering, Son to the Reverend the Dean of Ripon, to be a Prebendary in that Church, vacant by the Death of the Rev. Mr. Elsley.

Wednesday se'nnight a Presentation pass'd the Great Seal to enable the Rev. Mr. Henry Goodall to hold the Rectory of Pashley, alias Pattisley, in the County of Norfolk and Diocese of Norwich.

The same Day a Dispensation pass'd the Great Seal to enable the Rev. John Stanley, M. A. Brother to the Right Hon. Edward Earl of Derby, to hold the Rectory of Liverpool, in the County of Lancaster and Diocese of Chester, together with the Rectory of Bury, in the County and Diocese aforesaid.

Last Sunday five Houses fell down in Gravel-Lane, Southwark, but happily no Lives were lost, the Inhabitants having remov'd out of them; for a considerable Time they had paid no Rent, the Title to the Estate being disputed, and the Affair now depending in Westminster-Hall.

Tuesday twenty Persons were convicted before the Commissioners of Excise for concealing Tea in unenter'd Places and not making regular Entries in their Books, and fined in the Penalty of 200 l. each.

At the same time came on a Trial, wherein his Majesty was Plaintiff and an eminent Linnen-draper Defendant, on an Information exhibited against him for selling of Tea, not being an enter'd Dealer, when, after a long Trial, the Officers having prov'd the Sale, and likewise that they had found a large Quantity of Tea and some Brandy conceal'd in his Chamber, he was convicted in the Penalty, which is treble the Value of the Goods found, and 20 l. for not being an enter'd Dealer.

Sunday Morning the House of Mr. Weston, a Furrier, in Gravel-Lane, Southwark, was broke open and robb'd of Pewter, Brass, &c. but a Watchman hearing of the Robbery, and having observ'd a Fellow that Morning carry a Sack, loaded, as he thought, with such Things, into a House in the Mint, acquainted Mr. Weston therewith, who getting a Search-Warrant, and proper Assistants, went to the said House, where he found his Goods and the Thief, whose Name is John Low: He was immediately seiz'd, and being carry'd before a Justice of the Peace was by him committed to the New Gaol.

They write from Chichester, that last Week Mr. Harris, an eminent Hop-Planter near that Place, was attack'd near Shoreham by a single Highwayman, well mounted on a Bay Gelding, who robb'd him of 86 l. and then made off; but as it was done before Sun-set it is said he intends to sue the County.

On Sunday the 12th Instant a strolling Fellow went to a House at Beccles in Sermon-time, and demanded a Crown of the Churchwarden's Wife, (her Husband being at Church) but she refusing, he told her he would give her a Receipt for it, and that there were more Men just by; on which she gave it him, and had a Receipt: On her Husband's coming home she

told him what had happen'd; upon which he got Help, purſu'd him, took him, and carry'd him before a Juſtice, who committed him to Beccles Gaol; but on Friday laſt he made his Eſcape, and in half an Hour after he was found drown'd in the River, with two Shirts on, but no Clothes over them, which 'tis ſuppos'd he had flung over, and endeavour'd to ſwim to them.

By Letters from New York, dated May 6, we have Advice, that Capt. Allen, in a Privateer belonging to that Place, had carry'd in a Prize Sloop, taken in the Old Streights, valued at between 30 and 40,000l. Sterling.

The laſt Letters from Antigua bring Word, that the South-Sea-Caſtle Man of War had taken a Spaniſh Privateer of 20 Carriage Guns and 180 Men, off the Leeward Iſland, and carried her into Barbadoes.

Laſt Week the Owners of the Charming Sally receiv'd the unwelcome News that ſhe was taken by a Spaniſh Privateer and carried into Cadiz: She was bound from Madeira to London, and had been miſſing ſome Time.

The Cheſter, Capt. Price, bound from Madeira to Briſtol, is taken by a Spaniſh Privateer of 18 Carriage Guns, call'd the Santa Via de Jeſus, and carried into Bilboa.

Private Letters by the French Mail adviſe, that the Betſey, Smith, laden with Corn for Portugal; and the Profit, Andrews, bound to Madeira, are both taken by a Spaniſh Privateer, of 18 Carriage Guns, call'd the St. Anthony, and carry'd into Cadiz.

The Loyal William, Burkett, bound from Antigua to London, is taken by a Spaniſh Privateer and carried into Bilboa.

The Joſeph, Whitaker, from London to Port-Mahon, is taken by a Spaniſh Privateer and carried into Cadiz.

The Swift, Legard, from Genoa for London, is taken and carried into Bilboa.

Extract of a Letter from Dublin, dated June 16.

"The Honourable James Anneſley, Eſq; having "ſome time ago given Lord A—— Notice of "Trial of the Cauſe depending between them at "the next Aſſizes; that Noble Lord's Attorney, "in order to take away all Chance of a Trial at the "ſaid Aſſizes, mov'd for a Trial at Bar in Michaelmas Term, which being a Thing of Courſe was "granted. Mr. Anneſley's Counſel finding that this "Motion was made only with a View to delay until "the Return of Privilege, the next Day mov'd the "Court to ſet it aſide, unleſs the Noble Lord wav'd "his Privilege; which at firſt was ſtrenuouſly oppoſ'd by Lord A—— Counſel: But finding that "the Court diſcourag'd a Delay of Trial, whereby "the Noble Peer would again get into Privilege, "they at length agreed to the Motion for a Waver "of Privilege; and thereupon the Court order'd, "that there ſhould be a Trial at Bar the ſecond Law "Day of next Term, notwithſtanding of Privilege; "and a Rule and Conſent to that Purpoſe was enter'd "in the Court Books, and ſign'd by the Agents and "Attornies on both Sides."

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City of *Norwich*, and County of the ſame, the ſame Day at the New Hall of the ſame City.

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